

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA**

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STRIKES AND LOCKOUT
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of strikes and lockout reported from Gujarat, Delhi and other parts of the country during January 1,1999 till date in Government departments of Railways, Public Sector Undertaking and Industrial Sectors;
- (b) the details of each lockout and strike alongwith the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the details of the demands of the employees and charter of demand and the action taken thereon?

Answer

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MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)((c): The information on strikes and lockouts both in Public and Private sector available with the Labour Bureau, Shimla for the entire country including Gujarat and Delhi during 1999 (Provisional) is as follows:-

	No. of Strikes	No. of Lock-outs
Public Sector	85	73
Private Sector	352	283

GUJARAT

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Public Sector	21	Nil
Private Sector	71	10

DELHI

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Public Sector	Nil	Nil
Private Sector	1	9

Public Sector No. of Strikes No. of Lock-outs @@

Mining of Coal and lignite;	27	69
extraction of Peat		
Extraction of crude petroleum;		
production of natural gas	4	Nil
Manufacture of cotton textiles	3	2
Manufacture of basic chemicals and chemicals products (except products of petroleum & Coal)	1	Nil
Manufacture of transport equipment and parts	1	Nil
Land transport	1	Nil
Banking activities including financial services	22	Nil
Public Admn. and Defence Services	17	Nil
Others	9	2

The reasons for strikes vary from case to case. There are, however, reports of workers going on strike on issues relating to wage revision, non-payment of bonus, job security etc. The reasons for lockouts also vary from case to case. There are, however, reports of managements declaring lock-outs due to industrial unrest, demands for wage increase etc. The Labour Ministry at the Centre and the State Labour Departments intervene as soon as they receive the strike notices to facilitate a n amicable settlement between managements and workers` representatives. @@ j